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TAGS: SREF, VS US

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR ASYLUM: VIETNAMESE DIPLOMAT: VU TRU LO

REF: STATE 104017; 2 FAM 228.4 & 5

1. TODAY LT. COL VU TRU LO, VICE CONSUL OF THE VIETNAMESE CONSULATE GENERAL IN HONG KONG REQUESTED ASYLUM IN THE UNITED STATES. COL. VU WAS INTERVIEWED BY CONSULAR OFFICERS AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT HE HAS NO RELATIVE IN THE UNITED STATES WHO WOULD BE ABLE TO PETITION FOR HIM UNDER NORMAL IMMIGRANT VISA PROCEDURES. THEREFORE, AN IMMIGRANT VISA WOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE TO HIM UNTIL AND UNLESS HE WERE ABLE TO COMPLY WITH THE TIME CONSUMING LABOR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE INA.

2. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED IN CONFORMITY WITH THE REF FAM:

A. VU LO TRU, VIETNAMESE, PRINCIPAL APPLICANT  
PHAM BAO THI, WIFE OF PRINCIPAL APPLICANT  
VU HONG KHA, SON OF PRINCIPAL APPLICANT

B. 15 FEB. 1928, NAM DINH, VIETNAM, LT. COL. ARVN & VICE CONSUL  
22 FEB. 1930, NAM DINH, VIETNAM, HOUSEWIFE  
27 DEC. 1959, SAIGON, VIETNAM, STUDENT

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C. REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT NO. 2295

REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT, NO. 1634  
REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT, NO. UNKNOWN

D. VIETNAMESE CONSULATE GENERAL HONG KONG  
GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT

E. WITH THE FALL OF THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT THE PERSONNEL  
OF THE VIETNAMESE CONSULATE GENERAL IN HONG KONG WHO FEEL THEY  
CANNOT RETURN TO VIETNAM HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY THE HONG KONG  
IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT THAT THEY MAY REMAIN IN HONG KONG A  
REASONABLE AMOUNT OF TIME TO ARRANGE THEIR ONWARD MOVEMENT OUT  
OF THE COLONY.

F. HONG KONG

G. COL. VU CANNOT RETURN TO VIETNAM WITHOUT FACING INEVITABLE ARREST  
AS AN ARVN LT. COL. OF INTELLIGENCE. COL. VU HAS STATED THAT HE  
WAS ASSIGNED TO THE VIETNAMESE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE UNDER THE  
VIETNAMESE PRESIDENCY. COL. VU IS RETURNING TO THE US 2 US ARMY  
ENCRYPTING MACHINES.

COL. VU HAS BEEN TO THE UNITED STATES TWICE UNDER US ARMY  
PROGRAMS; 1957/58 AT FORT BENNING, GEORGIA AND 1964 AT FORT  
BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA.

COL. VU HAS FOUR CHILDREN IN THE UNITED STATES AS STUDENTS:

VU THI KIM PHUNG, DAUGHTER, AGE 23, AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

VU HONG KHANH, SON, AGE 20, KINGSVILLE, TEXAS

VU THI KIM QUY, DAUGHTER, AGE 25, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

VU THI TUYET ANH, DAUGHTER, AGE 13, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

H. NONE.

I. VICE CONSUL, VIETNAMESE CONSULATE GENERAL, HONG KONG  
LT. COL ARVN, INTELLIGENCE.  
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